



Addressing governance and equity challenges of Lumo conservancy for effective biodiversity conservation and improved livelihoods outcomes

Type of priority area	Indigenous and Community Conserved Area (ICCA)	Conservancy	Key Landscape for Conservation	Key Biodiversity Area
Primary objective	Governance	Management Effectiveness	Livelihoods	
Target groups	Local Communities	Youth	Women	
Main activity focus	Livelihoods/ Alternative economic activities	Awareness/education	Capacity building	



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Type of grant & budget
Medium Grant | 199,519,93€



Location
Kenya, Eastern Africa



Protected & Conserved Areas
Lumo Community Wildlife Conservancy



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Project Lead

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Project Partners

Lumo Community Wildlife Conservancy

Description of the project :

The goal of this project is to improve biodiversity and socio-economic outcomes of Lumo Community Conservancy by strengthening its governance and equity principles through the implementation of specific actions born out of a SAGE assessment of the conservancy carried out in November 2021

This project will address the following objectives based on the protected areas associated with the project:

1. To improve the recognition and respect for the rights of all relevant actors within the conservancy
2. To increase the participation of women and youth in decision making within the conservancy
3. To build the capacity of conservancy rangers strengthened for effective provision of security for both wildlife and people within the conservancy
4. To improve the benefits and benefit-sharing mechanisms of the conservancy





Diagnostic Tools Used

Site Level Assessment for Governance and Equity (SAGE)



The BIOPAMA Action Component Objectives Addressed

- ✓ Enhance the management and governance of priority areas by addressing existing limitations
- ✓ Support local communities' initiatives aiming to enhance the livelihoods of local people whilst effectively contributing to protected areas management



Priority Need Addressed

Lumo conservancy grapples with a number of governance challenges such as biases against youth and women, lack of recognition and respect for the rights of all relevant actors, lack of full and effective participation of all relevant actors in decision making, lack of transparency, information sharing, and accountability by those in authority and lack of equitable benefit sharing among the relevant actors especially youth and women.

This project will address these governance challenges by implementing specific actions born out of a Site Level Assessment of Governance and Equity (SAGE) of Lumo conservancy carried out in November 2021.



The change the project implementation will bring for the protected areas

- Improved recognition and respect for the rights of all relevant actors within the conservancy Improved participation of women and youth in decision making within the conservancy
- Capacity of conservancy rangers strengthened for effective provision of security for both wildlife and people within the conservancy
- The conservancy has improved benefits and benefit-sharing mechanisms
- The conservancy has improved management and governance for effective conservancy governance and management

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